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Chairman Julius Genachowski
Commissioner Michael J. Copps
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell
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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: WT Docket 11-65

Dear Chairman Genachowski, Commissioners:

My administration remains focused on creating job and educational opportunities for the citizens of the First State. This plan means that we are making responsible and targeted investments that keep Delaware moving forward while maintaining our financial security. But we cannot do it alone. Our State's success is inextricably linked to robust private sector investment. In particular, investments in technology and broadband connectivity are critical components of expanding access to quality jobs and education, which is why I am writing today.

The proposed merger of T-Mobile USA with AT&T is a private-sector initiative that complements our efforts. If approved, the merged company would be able to expand the upgrade of its existing wireless networks to offer our residents, businesses, schools, hospitals and other organizations access to the next-generation mobile broadband service, called LTE.

This transaction would be good for our jobs climate. More broadband deployment creates jobs across all industries and sectors. Independent analysis has found that every percentage point increase in broadband penetration is accompanied by an increase in employment of 0.2-0.3 percent per year.

Your approval of the AT&T/T-Mobile merger is one way you can help us build a strong climate for investment, education and employment here in Delaware.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jack Markell".

Jack A. Markell
Governor